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ME469: Residual-based Advection Stabilization

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Review of Advection Stabilization Options

For the high Peclet number use case, on unstructured meshes, we have identified three strategies:

1. Ad hoc blending between upwind and central using an indicator that is a function of cell Peclet number:

$$\phi_{ip} = \eta \phi^{FOU} + (1 - \eta) \phi^{CDS}$$

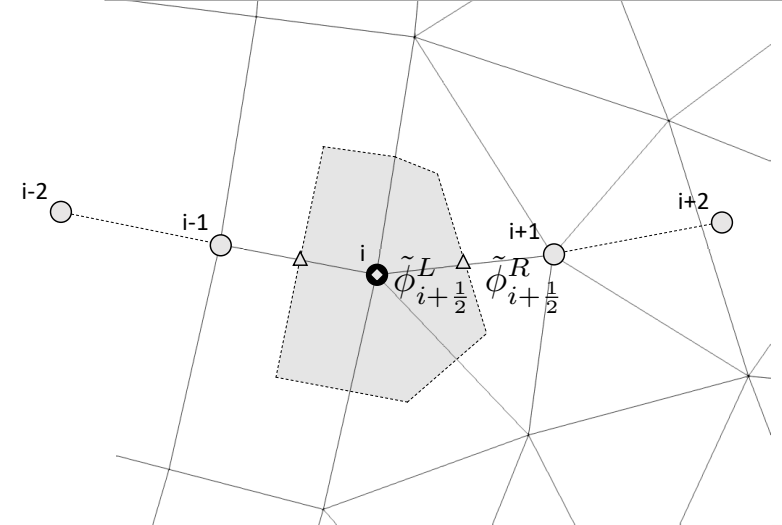
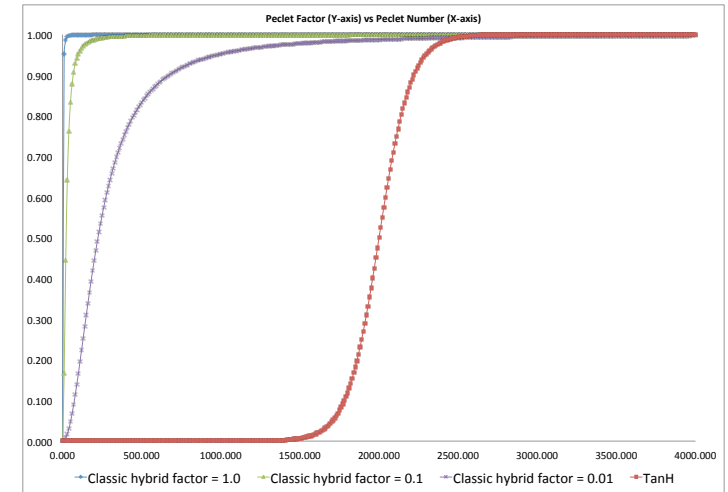
1. Gradient reconstruction (upwind) approaches with limiters

$$\tilde{\phi}_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^L = \phi_i + \Phi^L \Delta x_j^L G_j \phi_i,$$

$$\tilde{\phi}_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^R = \phi_{i+1} - \Phi^R \Delta x_j^R G_j \phi_{i+1}$$

2. Monotonic upstream-centered scheme for conservation laws (MUSCL) - again, with limiters

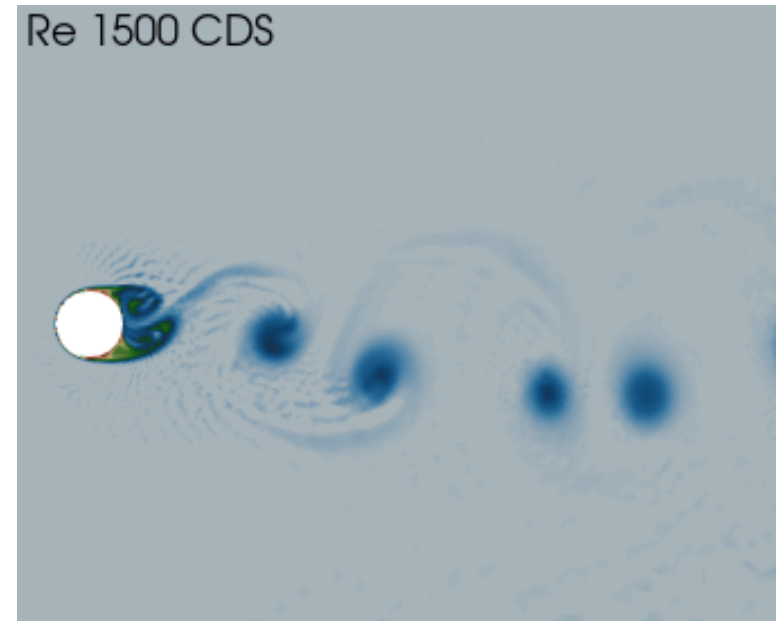
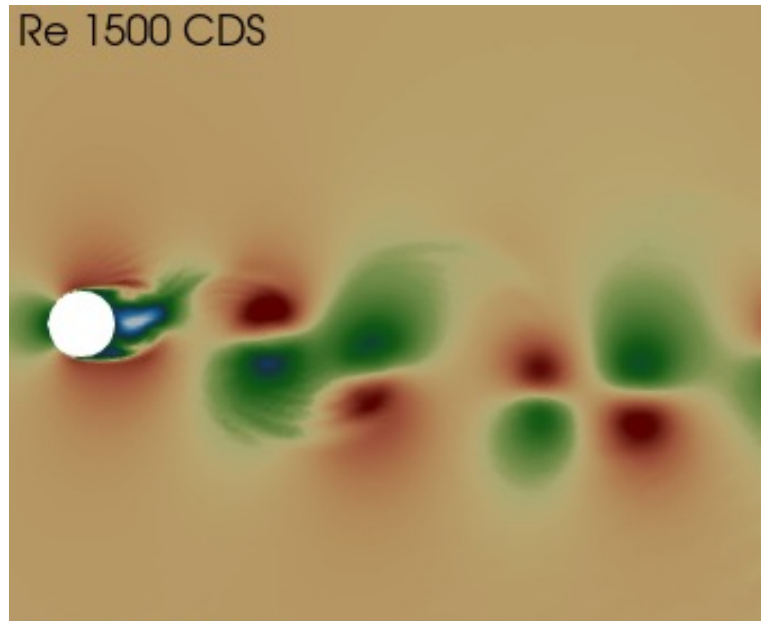
$$\phi_{i+\frac{1}{2}} = \phi_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{LOW} - \Phi(r_{i+\frac{1}{2}}) \left(\phi_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{LOW} - \phi_{i+\frac{1}{2}}^{HIGH} \right)$$





Momentum Field is Tolerant of low-Dissipation Advection Operators

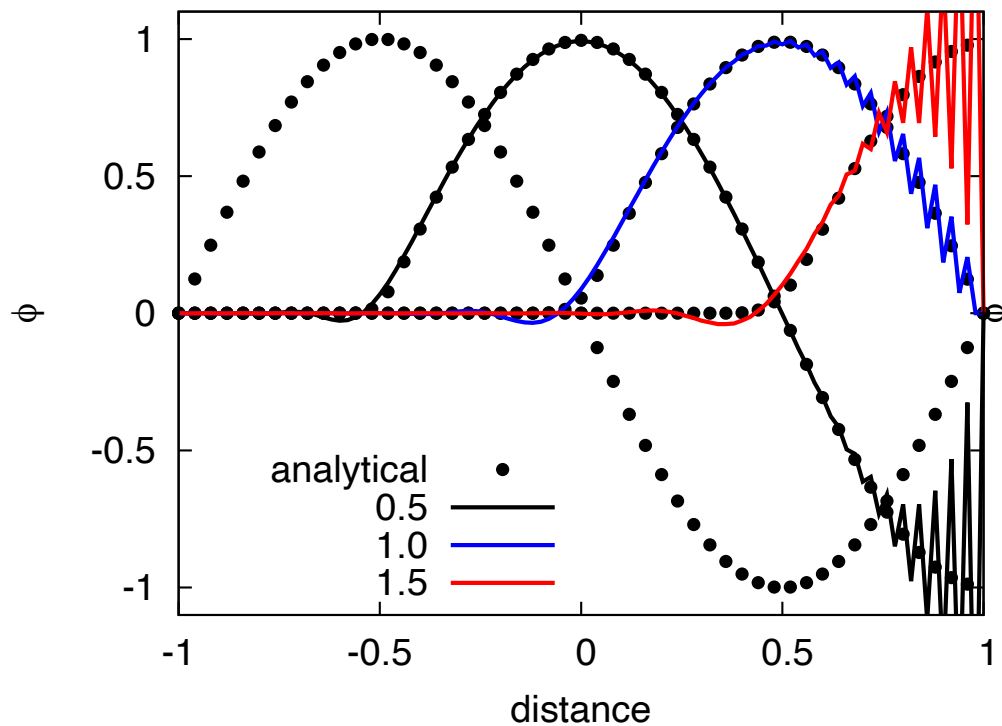
.... While passive scalars are not



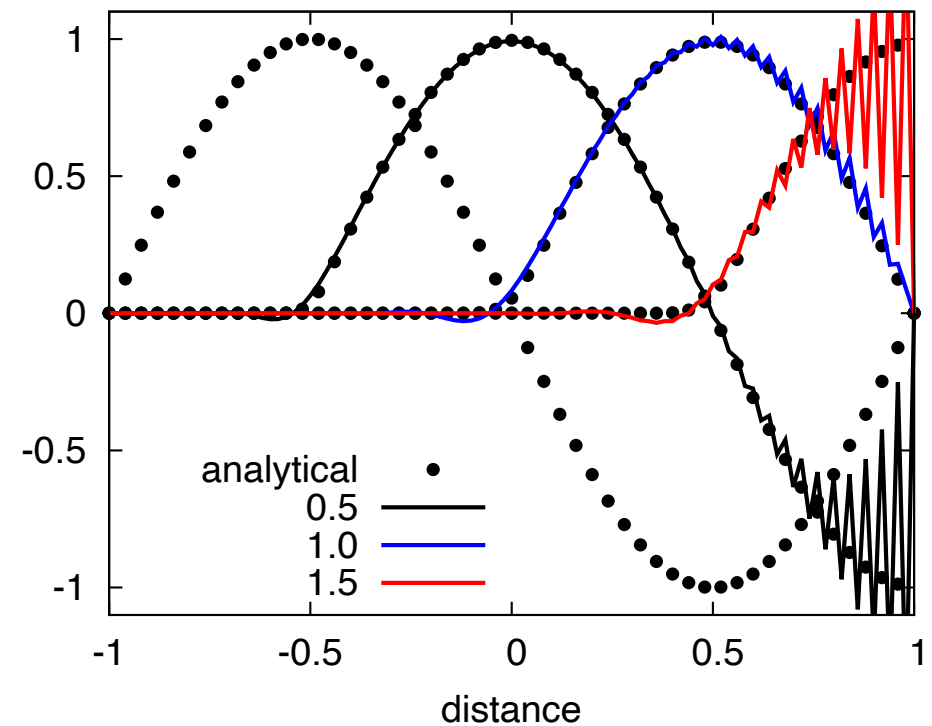


Re = 2000 (local Re 20) – No Stabilization

Analytical solution from Mojtabi and Deville, One-dimensional linear advection-diffusion equation: Analytical and finite element solutions, Comput. Fluids 107 (2015) 189–195.



Linear Basis (CVFEM), central/Galerkin

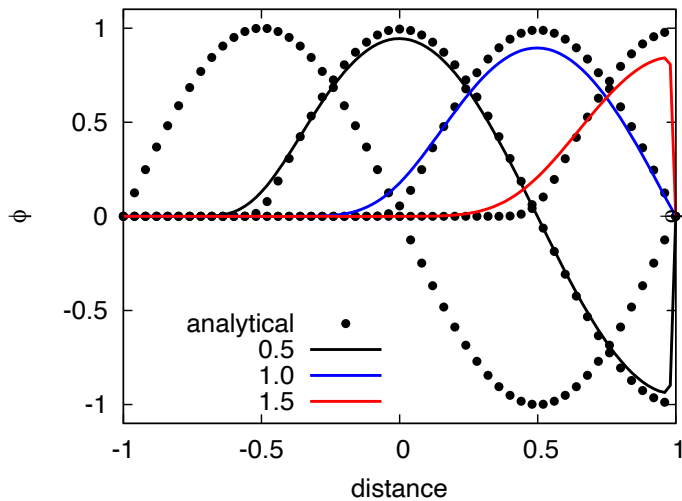


Quadratic Basis (CVFEM), central/Galerkin

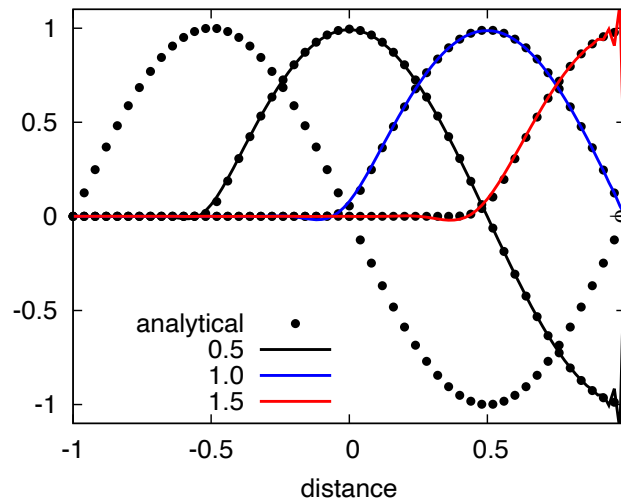


Re = 2000 (local Re 20) – Upwind

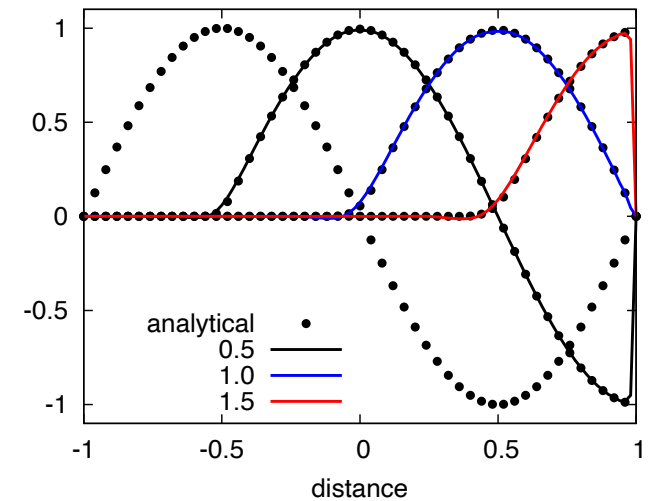
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First-order upwind



Second-order upwind



Second-order upwind + limiter



Recall a Strategy: Central + Diffusion

A general advection system can be written in terms of a central-based scheme and a diffusion term using an effective viscosity

$$\frac{\phi_j^{n+1} - \phi_j^n}{\Delta t} + \frac{U}{2\Delta x} (\phi_{j+1}^{n+1} - \phi_{j-1}^{n+1}) - \nu^{eff} \left(\frac{\phi_{j+1}^{n+1} - 2\phi_j^{n+1} + \phi_{j-1}^{n+1}}{\Delta x^2} \right)$$

$$\nu^{eff} = \frac{|U|\Delta x}{2} \longrightarrow \text{Simply re-casting a first-order upwind scheme}$$

$$\nu^{eff} = \frac{\Delta t U^2}{2} \longrightarrow \text{Lax-Wendroff, System of Conservation Laws, LA-2285 (1960)} \\ \text{Similar to Taylor-Galerkin}$$

The goals are to be:

1. Consistent, i.e., as you refine the mesh, you revert to the desired PDE
2. Design-order, i.e., converges as Δx^{p+1}



Residual Definition

On a given mesh, h , if we were to evaluate the residual, what would we obtain?

$$R^h(\phi) = \frac{\partial \rho \phi^h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho u_j \phi^h}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\mu}{Sc} \frac{\partial \phi^h}{\partial x_j} \right) - S \phi^h \propto O(\Delta x^{p+1})$$

As we refine the mesh, the evaluation of this “fine-scale” residual would approach zero – at least for a consistent discretization approach whose truncation error is well-behaved

A classic residual-based stabilization, Streamwise Upwind Petrov-Galerkin (Hughes and Brooks, 1982) – more generalized within the Variational Multiscale Method (VMS, Hughes et al., 1998)

$$\int_{\Omega} \tilde{w} R^h(\phi) d\Omega = 0 \quad \tilde{w} = w + \tau^h u_j \frac{\partial w}{\partial x_j} \quad g^{ij} = \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial \xi_k} \frac{\partial x_j}{\partial \xi_k},$$

$$\tau^h = \beta \left[\left(\frac{2}{\Delta t} \right)^2 + u_i g_{ij} u_j + c \nu^2 g_{ij} g_{ij} \right]^{-\frac{1}{2}} \quad g_{ij} = \frac{\partial \xi_k}{\partial x_i} \frac{\partial \xi_k}{\partial x_j}$$

Element-metrics

$\beta \sim 1; c \sim O(10)$



SUPG Stabilization in a Finite Volume Context

Finite Element Context:

$$\int_{\Omega} w \frac{\partial \rho \phi}{\partial t} d\Omega - \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial w}{\partial x_j} F_j d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} w F_j n_j d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} w S_{\phi} d\Omega + \sum_{elem} \int_{\Omega} \tau^h u_k \frac{\partial w}{\partial x_k} R(\phi^h) d\Omega = 0$$

With:

$$F_j = \rho u_j \phi - \frac{\mu}{Sc} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j}$$

Finite Volume Context by applying the piecewise constant test function:

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial \rho \phi}{\partial t} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} F_j n_j d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} S_{\phi} d\Omega - \sum_{elem} \int_{\Gamma} \tau^h u_k R(\phi^h) n_k d\Gamma = 0$$

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- Note: Diffusion terms, a second-order derivative require special care (projection)

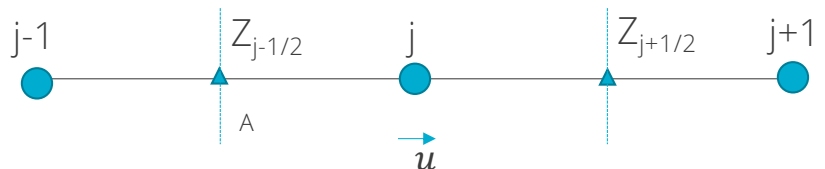


Linear Residual-Based Stabilization: CVFEM closer look

For now, let's remove time, diffusion and source – and assume density and velocity are constant

$$\int_{\Gamma} \rho u_j \phi n_j d\Gamma - \sum_{elem} \int_{\Gamma} \tau^h u_k n_k \frac{\partial \rho u_j \phi}{\partial x_j} d\Gamma = 0 \longrightarrow \sum_{ip} \dot{m}_{ip} \phi_{ip} - \tau^h u_k A_k^{ip} \rho u_j \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j}_{ip} = 0$$

Recall central and upwind stencils for our standard 1D configuration (flow left to right)


$$\frac{\dot{m}}{2} (\phi_{j+1} - \phi_{j-1}) - \tau^h u \rho u \frac{(\phi_{j+1} - 2\phi_j + \phi_{j-1})}{\Delta x} A$$

- General interpretation: looks like diffusion with coefficient, $\tau u \rho u$, where τ is a flow-aligned time scale (s)

If we allow Let $\tau = \frac{\Delta x}{2|u|}$, then we recover upwind!

In general, the key is to include the full PDE residual



Linear Residual-Based Stabilization: Consistency

The residual-based stabilization is given by,

$$\int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial \rho \phi}{\partial t} d\Omega + \int_{\Gamma} F_j n_j d\Gamma - \int_{\Omega} S_{\phi} d\Omega - \sum_{elem} \int_{\Gamma} \tau^h u_k R(\phi^h) n_k d\Gamma = 0$$

with the fine-scale residual defined as,

$$R^h(\phi) = \frac{\partial \rho \phi^h}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial \rho u_j \phi^h}{\partial x_j} - \frac{\partial}{\partial x_j} \left(\frac{\mu}{S_c} \frac{\partial \phi^h}{\partial x_j} \right) - S^{\phi^h} \propto O(\Delta x^{p+1})$$

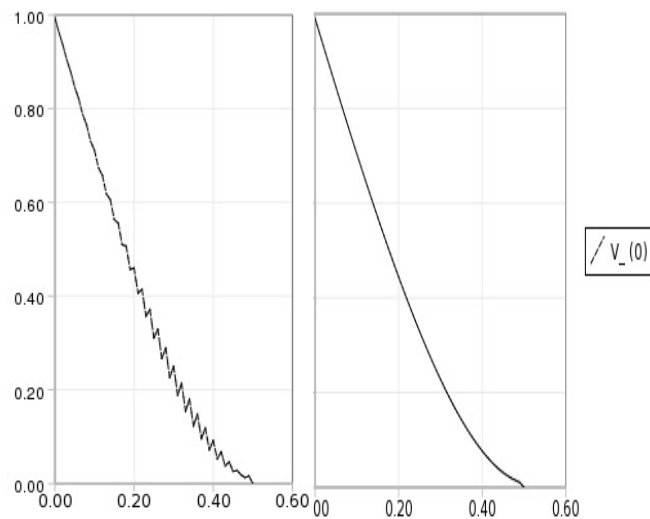
Comments:

1. If the fine-scale residual is consistently evaluated, then as the mesh is refined the residual-based stabilization is removed
2. Recall that this is a linear stabilization scheme and may still admit oscillations
3. In the pure Finite Element Method description, this form of stabilization is a Petrov-Galerkin approach

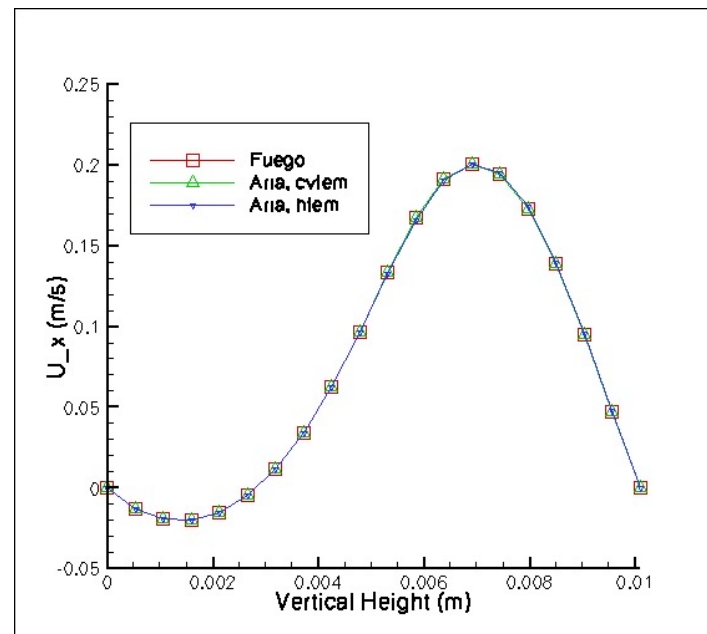


SUPG in Practice (CVFEM and FEM)

SUPG and the analog in CVFEM, Streamwise Upwind Control Volume (SUCV) are effective for low-moderate cell-Peclet numbers



Un-stabilized and SUPG
Convecting TV



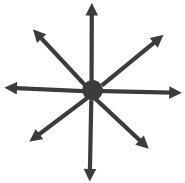
SUPG/SUCV (Aria, hfem; Aria cvfem) back step
velocity prediction compared to upwind (Fuego)



SUCV Generalized to Other Systems

Recall the radiative transport equation – derived in a variational multiscale (VMS) context, Domino et al., Phys. Fluids (2021)

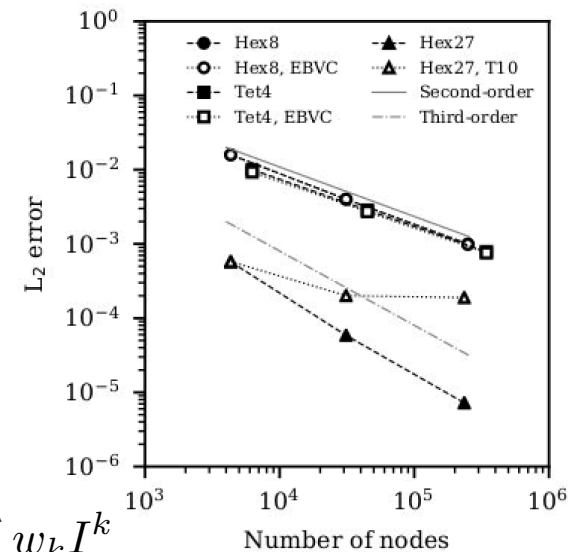
$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{\Omega} I(s) s_i n_i dS + \int_{\Gamma} s_i I(s) n_i dS \\ & + \int_{\Omega} \left((\alpha_a + \alpha_s) I(s) - \frac{\alpha_a \sigma T^4}{\pi} - \frac{\alpha_s G}{4\pi} \right) dV \\ & - \int_{\Omega} \tau^h R^h(s) s_i n_i dS + \alpha \int_{\Omega} \tau^h (\alpha_a + \alpha_s) R^h(s) dV \\ & - \beta \int_{\Gamma} \tau^h R^h(s) s_i n_i dS = 0. \end{aligned}$$



$\alpha = \beta = 0$, SUCV!

$$s_j \frac{\partial I}{\partial x_j} + (\mu_a + \mu_s) I = \frac{\mu_a \sigma T^4}{\pi} + \frac{\mu_s G}{4\pi}$$

$$G \approx \sum_k w_k I^k$$





Nonlinear Stabilization Operator (NSO)

An artificial viscosity approach is provided with coefficient again related to a fine-scale residual, shown for both finite element and finite volume:

$$\sum_e \int_{\Omega} \nu^h R^h(\phi) \frac{\partial w}{\partial x_i} g^{ij} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j} d\Omega \quad - \sum_e \int_{\Gamma} \nu^h R^h(\phi) n_i g^{ij} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j} d\Gamma$$

Here, we link the artificial diffusion coefficient to the fine scale residual:

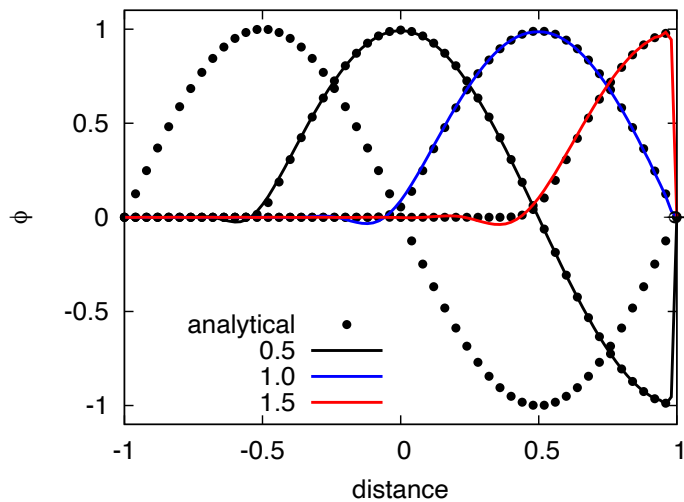
$$\nu^h = \sqrt{\frac{R^h(\phi) R^h(\phi)}{\frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_i} g^{ij} \frac{\partial \phi}{\partial x_j}}} \quad \bullet \text{ Or min of: } \nu^h = C (\rho u_i g_{ij} u_j)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

- Origin from FEM-based discontinuity capturing operator (DCO), Shakib et al. Comput. Method. Appl. Mech. Engr., (1991)
- Similar concept to Guermond et al. "Entropy-viscosity" approach, J. Comp. Phys. (2011)
 - Variations form an interesting LES subgrid model when the viscosity is a function of the k.e. fine scale residual (Guermond and Larios, 2015)

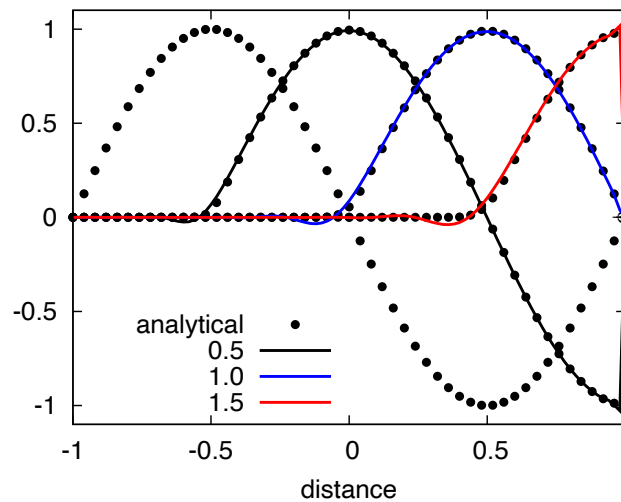


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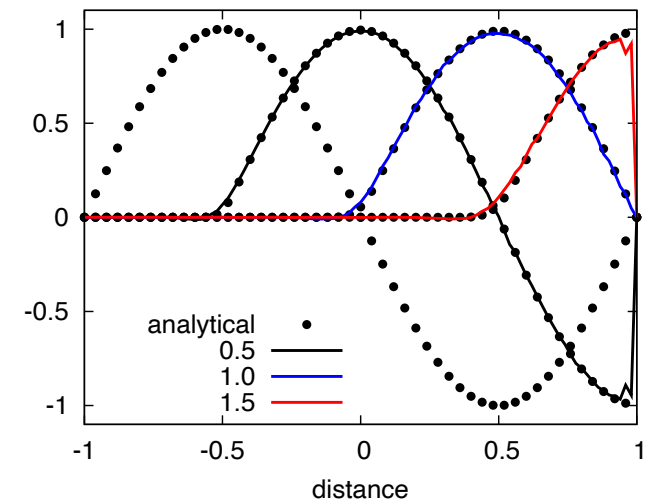
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NSO, linear basis (CVFEM)



SUCV, linear basis (CVFEM)



NSO, quadratic basis (CVFEM)



Now, Direct Comparisons, Order of Accuracy

- Convecting Taylor/Vortex simulation at high crossflow velocity
- Results demonstrate the ability to deploy this stabilization approach to high-order

